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SUBJ: DAILY ACTIVITY REPORTS FROM THE BUREAUS
THURSDAY, JULY 10

1. FOLLOWING ARE THE DAILY ACTIVITY REPORTS FROM THE
BUREAUS.

AF - NATHANIEL DAVIS

RHODESIAN HEARING - I TESTIFIED BEFORE THE AFRICAN
SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE
ON RHODESIA TODAY. I EXPLAINED OUR POSITION ON
REPEAL OF THE BYRD AMENDMENT.

SENATOR BARTLETT AND SOMALIA - I CALLED ON SENATOR
DEWEY BARTLETT (R-OKLA) TO DISCUSS HIS RECENT TRIP
TO BERBERA AND HIS RECOMMENDATIONS FOR INCREASED
AID TO THE DROUGHT STRICKEN REGION. BARTLETT SAID
AS A RESULT OF HIS WARM TALKS WITH SOMALI OFFICIALS,
INCLUDING PRESIDENT SIAD, THAT HE WAS CONVINCED
SOMALIA WANTED WARMER RELATIONS WITH THE U.S. AND THAT
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HE, BARTLETT, FAVORED SUCH AN IMPROVEMENT TO COUNTER
SOVIET INFLUENCE.

UNION CARBIDE - I MET WITH F.P. WILSON, CHAIRMAN OF
THE BOARD OF UNION CARBIDE AND OTHER OFFICERS OF THE

COMPANY ON THEIR REQUEST. THEY GAVE ME A RUNDOWN ON UNION CARBIDE'S INVESTMENTS IN AFRICA, ESPECIALLY SOUTH AFRICA AND RHODESIA. WE ALSO DISCUSSED THE IMPACT OF REPEAL OF THE BYRD AMENDMENT ON CHROME SUPPLIES AND PRICES (WHICH THEY SAID WOULD RISE).

TOMORROW: I WILL HAVE A TAPE INTERVIEW WITH THE VOA ON THE FUNCTIONS OF AN AMBASSADOR, AND WILL MEET WITH EDWARD FORBES, VICE PRESIDENT OF LIBERIA MINING.

ARA - ROGERS

CHILE -- AMBASSADOR POPPER CALLED. HE WAS SUMMONED BY PRESIDENT PINOCHET WHO REITERATED HIS DECISION SUSPENDING THE UN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION'S VISIT. PINOCHET IS WELL AWARE OF THE NEGATIVE IMPACT OF THIS ACTION AND OF OUR DISPLEASURE, BUT SHOWED NO FLEXIBILITY.

COLOMBIA -- I SAW CHAIRMAN SPARKMAN AND ASKED HIM ABOUT THE QUITA SUENO TREATY. HE SAID HE HAD NEVER HEARD OF IT AND WAS PUZZLED WHY HIS COMMITTEE HAD NEVER SCHEDULED HEARINGS IN OVER TWO YEARS. I PROMISED A LETTER AND HE SAID HE WOULD LOOK INTO IT. I SAID IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO HAVE SOME MOVEMENT BEFORE PRESIDENT LOPEZ'S VISIT.

PERU -- HEWSON RYAN ATTENDED THE LUNCHEON FOR PERUVIAN AMBASSADOR ARCE, WHO DESCRIBED HIGH LEVEL CHANGES IN THE POLITICAL STRUCTURE AS FAVORING CLOSER AND MORE POSITIVE RELATIONS WITH THE US. HE DESCRIBED IN SOME DETAIL THE EXODUS OF MARXIST ADVISORS FROM PRESIDENT VELASCO'S OFFICE AS EVIDENCE OF THE "MATURATION" OF THE PERUVIAN REVOLUTION. HE ASSURED US THAT THE GOP WAS DETERMINED TO SEEK A JUST AND EQUITABLE SOLUTION TO THE GULF AND MARCONA EXPROPRIATION.

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L - MONROE LEIGH

-- LEIGH MET WITH SENATOR MATHIAS REGARDING GLENN AND BENTSEN BILLS (REQUIRING EXECUTIVE AGREEMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED TO CONGRESS 60 DAYS IN ADVANCE OF TAKING EFFECT AND PERMITTING CONGRESS TO VETO BY MAJORITY VOTE WITHIN SAME PERIOD) AND FOUND HIM UNDECIDED ON THE BILLS. HE SUGGESTED WE SEE SENATOR CASE WHO IS PREPARING A SUBSTITUTE BILL OF UNDETERMINED CONTENT.

-- ALDRICH DRAFTED AND SENT TO PARIS A REQUEST THAT THE FRENCH RECONSIDER THEIR REFUSAL TO HOST A MTG OF WESTERN COUNTRIES IN SEPT TO COORDINATE POSITIONS ON THE QUESTION OF RESTRICTIONS ON USE OF CONVENTIONAL

WEAPONS. THIS COORDINATION IS A NECESSARY PART OF OUR PREPARATIONS FOR A JAN 1976 EXPERTS CONFERENCE ON THE SUBJECT, AND THE FRENCH HAVE HOSTED PREVIOUS COORDINATION MTGS.

-- ALDRICH BEGAN DRAFTING CONCEIVABLE RESTRICTIONS ON INCENDIARY WEAPONS FOR CONSIDERATION BY DEFENSE AND ACDA AS AN INITIAL STEP IN OUR PREPARATIONS FOR THE JAN 1976 EXPERTS CONFERENCE.

-- SCHWABEL PREPARED A MEMORANDUM TO ROGERS SUMMARIZING AND ATTACHING A RECENT CABLE OF THE DEPT WHICH DEVELOPED IN DETAIL THE ESTABLISHED U.S. POSITION THAT AN EXPROPRIATED ALIEN IS ENTITLED TO THE FAIR MARKET VALUE (NOT MERELY THE NET BOOK VALUE) OF HIS PROPERTY.

-- SCHWABEL SUGGESTED TO EB REVISIONS IN A CABLE TO LONDON REBUTTING HAROLD LEVER'S IDEAS ON AN AGREEMENT WITH OPEC WHICH NOTE THAT OPEC MEMBERS VIOLATED THE TEHERAN PRICE AGREEMENT OF 1971 DESPITE PLEDGES TO THE USG THAT THEY WOULD RESPECT IT, AND THAT THE EMBARGO VIOLATED TREATY OBLIGATIONS OF SOME OPEC MEMBERS.

EUR - HARTMAN

DANISH CONCERNS RE SPANISH BASE NEGOTIATIONS.

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MINISTER DYVIG OF THE DANISH EMBASSY TELEPHONED BRUCE LAINGEN TO SAY THAT HIS EMBASSY HAD A QUERY FROM THE DANISH FOREIGN OFFICE ASKING WHETHER INFORMATION THEY HAD RECEIVED WAS CORRECT THAT WE HAD REACHED AN UNDERSTANDING WITH THE SPANISH THAT OUR NEW BASE AGREEMENT WOULD HAVE LANGUAGE WITHIN IT TO THE EFFECT THAT CONTINUED US-SPANISH DEFENSE COOPERATION "WOULD BE USEFUL FOR NATO." LAINGEN SAID NEGOTIATIONS ON THE AGREEMENT HAD NOT REACHED THE POINT OF SPECIFIC LANGUAGE OF ANY KIND, BUT THAT THE SPANIARDS CONTINUE TO BE TROUBLED BY THE NATO CONNECTION. WE COULD NOT SAY AT THIS POINT WHAT MIGHT BE NECESSARY TO MEET THEIR CONCERNS. LAINGEN ALSO EMPHASIZED THE IMPORTANCE WE ATTACH TO GETTING AN EARLY AND ACCEPTABLE UNDERSTANDING WITH THE SPANIARDS.

IO - BUFFUM.

TESTIFIED BEFORE SENATE SUBCOMMITTEE ON AFRICA CONCERNING UN ASPECTS OF SOUTHERN RHODESIAN PROBLEM.

PM - GVEST

SECURITY ASSISTANCE APPROPRIATIONS HEARINGS - MR. STERN
WENT WITH UNDER SECRETARY MAW TO ATTEND THE OPENING SESSION
OF SEN INOUE'S COMMITTEE'S HEARINGS ON THE SECURITY
ASSISTANCE APPROPRIATIONS. THE SESSION WENT QUITE WELL
EXCEPT FOR THE FACT THAT WE COULD NOT ADDRESS THE FY 1976
PROGRAM WHICH HAS NOT YET BEEN APPROVED BY THE PRESIDENT.

EA - MR. ZURHELLEN

SOUTH PACIFIC NUCLEAR FREE ZONE. NEW ZEALAND AMBASSADOR
WHITE GAVE ME LETTER AND DRAFT UNGA RESOLUTION WHICH GNZ
PROPOSES INTRODUCE THIS FALL APPROVING IDEA OF A SOUTH
PACIFIC NUCLEAR WEAPONS FREE ZONE. I TOLD WHITE BASIC
DIFFERENCE OF OPINION APPEARED TO REMAIN BETWEEN NEW
ZEALAND AND U.S. ON USEFULNESS OF SUCH PROPOSAL BUT WE
WOULD GIVE USG VIEWS ON PROPOSED RESOLUTION AFTER STUDY.

NEA - SOBER, ACTING.
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1. THE OMANI AMBASSADOR CALLED ON ME AND ASKED FOR A RUN-
DOWN ON OUR PRESENT EFFORTS FOR MID-EAST PEACE. I GAVE
HIM A STANDARD BRIEFING, LIMITING MYSELF TO GENERALITIES
AND AVOIDING, OF COURSE, ANY DETAILS ABOUT THE CURRENT
NEGOTIATIONS.

EB - JULIUS L. KATZ, ACTING

1. I MET WITH GERRY PARSKY TO DISCUSS THE CONCLUSIONS
WE MIGHT REACH IN THE EPB/NSC COMMODITY TASK FORCE AND
THE TIMING OF A REPORT. WE AGREED THAT WE SHOULD
BY THE END OF NEXT WEEK REACH AGREEMENT IN THE TASK FORCE
ON A SUCCINCT REPORT WHICH SHOULD STRESS THE POSITIVE
ELEMENTS OF COMMODITY POLICY, INCLUDING SUPPLY ASSURANCES,
TRADE LIBERALIZATION, INVESTMENT AND EARNING STABILIZATION.
WITH RESPECT TO PARTICULAR COMMODITY PROBLEMS WE SHOULD,
WHILE NOT EXCLUDING PRICE STABILIZATION, STRESS PROPOSALS
TO IMPROVE RETURNS TO PRODUCERS WITHOUT RAISING CONSUMER
COSTS SUCH AS GREATER COST EFFICIENCY, MARKET PROMOTION,
AND WHERE APPROPRIATE, DIVERSIFICATION. HOPEFULLY, THE
REPORT WILL EASE THE INTERAGENCY PROBLEM IN DEVELOPING

PROPOSALS FOR THE US POSITION AT THE 7TH SPECIAL SESSION.

2. I AM MEETING INFORMALLY THIS EVENING WITH THE HOUSE
AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE TO BRIEF THEM ON THE WORLD SUGAR
SITUATION. I WILL BE TESTIFYING BEFORE THE COMMITTEE ON
MONDAY ON US SUGAR POLICY.

3. HOUSE AND SENATE CONFEREES AGREED TODAY TO DROP THE
PROHIBITION AGAINST A MINIMUM SAFEGUARD PRICE FROM
LEGISLATION WHICH INTER ALIA WOULD EXTEND THE EMERGENCY

PETROLEUM ALLOCATION ACT. WE ARE NOT OUT OF THE WOODS ON THIS ISSUE, HOWEVER, BECAUSE EFFECTIVE PROHIBITION OF THE MSP REMAINS IN OTHER PENDING LEGISLATION.

H - RJMCCLOSKEY

1. TURKEY. SISCO, ACCOMPANIED BY HARTMAN AND MACOMBER, TESTIFIED BEFORE THE HIRC THIS MORNING AND PROVIDED
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STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE COMPROMISE BILL (HR 8454). THE HEARING NETTED US A MAJOR PLUS. MOST OF THE QUESTIONING WAS CONSTRUCTIVE AND USEFUL. ONLY ROSENTHAL, RIEGLE, WOLFF, FRASER AND SOLARZ WERE NOT. BINGHAM AND DUPONT SEEMED TO BE ON THE FENCE.

THE AFTERNOON SESSION HEARD GEORGE BALL AND CYRUS VANCE FOR OVER 2 HOURS. INSTEAD OF THE COMPROMISE BILL BEFORE THE COMMITTEE, THEY PROPOSED EITHER A PRESIDENTIAL WAIVER OR A TOTAL LIFTING OF THE EMBARGO FOR 90 DAYS. ALTHOUGH BALL AND VANCE OPPOSED THE ADMINISTRATION'S POSITION, THEY MADE IT VERY CLEAR THAT ACTION WAS NECESSARY AT THIS TIME. THIS AND SHARP COMMITTEE QUESTIONING MADE THE NET EFFECT OF THE TESTIMONY LARGELY POSITIVE FOR US. AT THIS WRITING, BRADEMAS, SARBANES AND BEARD HAVE NOT YET TESTIFIED. SENATOR EAGLETON HAS NOT YET APPEARED.

YOU WILL BE INTERESTED TO KNOW THAT HAYS, WHO WAS NOT PRESENT DURING THE MORNING SESSION BUT MADE A POINT OF BEING THERE WHEN BALL AND VANCE WERE TESTIFYING, SAID AT ONE POINT TO BALL AND VANCE, "YOU'LL UNDERSTAND, GENTLEMEN, THAT, HAVING HEARD YOUR ADVICE ON VIETNAM FOR 4 YEARS WHEN YOU WERE LEADERS IN AN EARLIER ADMINISTRATION, I AM A LITTLE SKEPTICAL ABOUT THE WISDOM OF YOUR ADVICE ON THIS ISSUE TODAY;" HAYS FELT THAT BALL AND VANCE WERE BADLY MAULED DURING THE HEARING AND DID LITTLE FOR THE BRADEMAS CAUSE.

ALSO IN THE AFTERNOON, HARTMAN BRIEFED THE DEMOCRATIC RESEARCH COMMITTEE (FORMERLY THE SOUTHERN CAUCUS). WHILE ONLY A HALF-DOZEN MEMBERS AND ABOUT TEN STAFF PEOPLE ATTENDED, THE BRIEFING WAS PRODUCTIVE. A NUMBER OF MEMBERS, INCLUDING SATTERFIELD, DAN DANIELS, WAGGONER AND POAGE, SAID THAT THEY WOULD CHANGE THEIR VOTE AND LIFT THE EMBARGO.

MARKUP BEGINS TOMORROW MORNING. ONE OF OUR CHIEF CONCERNS WILL BE TO KEEP THE COMMITTEE FROM ACCEPTING COMPROMISES SUCH AS THE BALL-VANCE PROPOSAL.

2. AID TO ZAIRE. FOLLOWING UP ON A QUERY FROM JIM LYNN TO THE ACTING SECRETARY LAST NIGHT, JENKINS MET WITH SHELDON
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VANCE, AID (BROWN), AF, AND BREMER TO WORK OUT THE APPARENT SNARL IN OUR EFFORT TO GET A \$20 MILLION AID LOAN FOR MOBUTU. WE NOW HAVE OMB, NSC, AID AND OURSELVES ALL PULLING TOGETHER AND HOPE TO HAVE A "PRESIDENTIAL DECISION" APPROV-

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ING THE PROJECT SO THAT VANCE CAN TOUCH BASE WITH SELECTED CONGRESSMEN BEFORE HE DEPARTS FOR KINSHASA NEXT WEEK.

3. HOUSE DEFEATS ANTI-CONCORDE AMENDMENT. THE HOUSE VOTED 214-196 AGAINST SID YATES' AMENDMENT WHICH WOULD HAVE PROHIBITED SST LANDINGS IN THE UNITED STATES. EARLY THIS MORNING, WE DELIVERED LETTERS (SIGNED BY INGERSOLL) TO ALL HOUSE MEMBERS WHICH POINTED OUT THE DISCRIMINATORY NATURE OF THE YATES AMENDMENT AND THE LIKELY POLITICAL IMPACT ON TWO OF OUR CLOSEST ALLIES. FRIEDERSDORF TELLS US THAT THIS INTERVENTION WAS DECISIVE.

4. SENATORS JACKSON AND CASE ARE CIRCULATING A LETTER TO THEIR COLLEAGUES INVITING THEM TO A RECEPTION THIS COMING MONDAY IN HONOR OF ALEXANDER SOLZHENITSYN. REPORT-EDLY JACKSON'S STAFF IS CONVEYING THE MESSAGE THAT "IF KISSINGER AND FORD CAN'T SEE HIM, THEN THE SENATE WILL HONOR HIM TO COUNTER THIS SERIOUS OVERSIGHT BY THE PRESIDENT AND THE SECRETARY."

5. BYRD AMENDMENT. FOLLOWING THE 17-8 FAVORABLE HIRC VOTE FOR REPEAL OF THE BYRD AMENDMENT YESTERDAY, SENATOR CLARK HAS DECIDED TO INTRODUCE A BILL REQUESTING REPEAL OF THE BYRD AMENDMENT WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS.

6. CUBA. CONGRESSMAN WHALEN, RECENTLY RETURNED FROM HAVANA, IN TESTIMONY BEFORE THE HIRC, URGED THAT THE TRADE EMBARGO BE SUSPENDED. WHILE SOME MEMBERS APPEARED TO SUPPORT WHALEN'S VIEW, CONCERN WAS EXPRESSED OVER THE POLITICAL PRISONERS ISSUE, PRESS CENSORSHIP, AND THE LACK OF RELIGIOUS FREEDOM IN CUBA.

AT A CLOSED SESSION OF THE SFRC SUBCOMMITTEE ON LATIN AMERICA, BILL MAILLIARD BRIEFED SENATORS MCGEE, JAVITS,
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AND BAKER ON THE UPCOMING SAN JOSE MEETING. THE SENATORS APPEARED TO BE SATISFIED WITH THE "FREEDOM OF ACTION" STRATEGY BEING PURSUED FOR SAN JOSE. IN A SIDE COMMENT, JAVITS AND MCGEE STRONGLY URGED THAT THE PRESIDENT TAKE A STRONG POSITIVE STAND ON THE PANAMA ISSUE OR "RATIFICATION WILL BE OUT OF OUR GRASP".

7. INOUE ON SECURITY ASSISTANCE. CHAIRMAN INOUE, THE ONLY MEMBER PRESENT, SAID IF SECURITY ASSISTANCE FIGURES WERE NOT PROVIDED BY THE END OF JULY, THE ADMINISTRATION SHOULD THINK IN TERMS OF SUPPLEMENTAL. HE ALSO ASKED THAT

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MAW PROVIDE A STATEMENT EXPLAINING WHY IT WAS NECESSARY TO COMBINE MILITARY ASSISTANCE WITH DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE. HE ALSO REQUESTED THAT MAW AND GENERAL FISH CONVEY TO THEIR RESPECTIVE SECRETARIES HIS REQUEST THAT THEY TESTIFY BEFORE THE SUBCOMMITTEE ABOUT JULY 20 OR DURING THE WEEK PRECEDING THE AUGUST RECESS.

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